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AgCam ready for launch to International Space Station

North Dakota is poised to send its first scientific instrument into space. An Earth-observing sensor built by students and faculty at the University of North Dakota departs Feb. 26 from campus to NASA's Kennedy Space Center, where it will be prepared for launch to the International Space Station.

The soon-to-be-orbiting instrument called AgCam will monitor the health of crops and other plants. The public and media will have a final opportunity to see AgCam and learn more about its uses before it leaves the University.

A news conference and AgCam demonstration will be held at 9 a.m. Monday, Feb. 25, in the atrium of 300 Clifford Hall. Presentations will be given by President Charles Kupchella, NASA Astronaut Mario Runco, AgCam project manager Doug Olsen, Will Semke of the School of Engineering and Mines, and Gary Wagner, a Crookston, Minn., farmer.

An evening sendoff event for the public will also take place Feb. 25 beginning at 7 p.m. in Clifford Hall Auditorium, Room 210. A reception follows at 8 p.m. in 220 Clifford Hall. The sendoff event is free and open to all.

At Kennedy Space Center, NASA engineers will safeguard AgCam until it is ready to package onto the space shuttle. AgCam is tentatively scheduled for a late-October 2008 launch to the International Space Station. There it will be installed by astronauts and begin sending data during the 2009 growing season.

A student-run Scientific Operations Center at the University of North Dakota will send commands to AgCam for a daily schedule of Earth observations, and process and deliver images returned from AgCam each day. The Scientific Operations Center will connect North Dakotans and others in neighboring states with unique

information they are receiving from space.

Farmers, ranchers, tribal officials, land-use managers and educators will have an opportunity to request assessments of the vegetation on their fields. The combination of fine detail, multiple color bands, frequent observations and speed of delivery to users has not previously been met with other Earth observing satellites.

AgCam was a response to needs expressed by a large community of land and natural resource managers who are served by the Upper Midwest Aerospace Consortium (UMAC), which is headquartered at UND's Northern Great Plains Center for People and the Environment. "The consortium exists to bring benefits from the space program to residents of the region," said Center Director George Seielstad. "At long last we have a system tailored to helping them economically, while maintaining a healthy environment."

Over a period of seven years, 44 students and numerous faculty have helped bring AgCam to completion. Fourteen graduate student thesis projects have been based on research for AgCam, and eight departments at UND were involved in the development of the sophisticated camera.

Doug Olsen directed the project throughout. His work with the students convinced him that the type of hands-on project-oriented education is an excellent way to prepare students. "My greatest reward has been to see the careers they have been able to jumpstart because of their experience with AgCam," said Olsen.

Will Semke of mechanical engineering calls the collaborative project a major accomplishment for the University. "The direct interactions with NASA have provided tremendous opportunities for graduate and undergraduate students in the School of Engineering and Mines and beyond," Semke said.

For more information contact Karen Katrinak at the Northern Great Plains Center for People and the Environment, 777-2482, or katrinak@aero.und.edu.

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EVENTS TO NOTE

Wayne Seames to present Robinson lecture Wednesday

The Chester Fritz Library will host the 17th annual Elwyn B. Robinson Lecture from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 20, in the East Asian Room of the Chester Fritz Library (fourth floor). Wayne Seames (chemical engineering) will speak on "Energy and Modern Human Civilization." A reception will follow his presentation.

Seames received his B.S. in chemical engineering at the University of Arizona in 1979. After a 16 year industrial career as a process engineer, engineering supervisor, and project manager, he returned to Arizona and earned his doctorate in chemical engineering in July 2000. Seames joined the UND chemical engineering department in 2000 where he currently serves as an associate professor.

Among his academic awards are the 2007 University of North Dakota Award of Individual Excellence for Research, the University of North Dakota School of Engineering and Mines 2006 Professor of the Year and 2004 Olson Professor for outstanding research, and the University of Arizona School of Engineering and Mines 1998 Faculty Award of Excellence at the Student Interface recognizing his teaching and advising contributions to the chemical engineering department.

Seames is the director of the Sustainable Energy Research Initiative and Supporting Education (SUNRISE) group and is the state's Department of Energy EPSCoR program director. He is named on six submitted UND

patent applications and is recognized as the principal inventor of UND's biojet fuel technology, one of the University's first commercially licensed technologies. He has authored over 20 peer-reviewed journal articles plus over 120 public and private reports and other publications. Dr. Seames currently manages a research portfolio of over \$4 million.

The Robinson Lecture series began in 1991 on the occasion of the 25th anniversary of Professor Elwyn B. Robinson's publication, "A History of North Dakota." Robinson, whose career spanned 35 years at UND, was a distinguished member of the history faculty. The lecture, together with the library's compilation of a bibliography of faculty and staff publications, is designed to recognize the scholarly and creative accomplishments of the UND community.

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Parking Committee meets Wednesday

The University Administrative Parking Committee (UAPC) is meeting in regular session Wednesday, Feb. 20, from 9 to 10 a.m. in 17 Swanson Hall. The tentative agenda follows:

- * Call to order
- * Reading and approval of past minutes
- * Old business
- * Review of the proposed new UND boot/tow policy in current draft; vote to endorse, not endorse, or return for further study
- * Report on VPFO's suspension of preferred parking experiment in selected "A" and "S" lots
- * New business
- * Report on recent North Dakota parking office presentations to different UND governance bodies: student government, Staff Senate, UND Senate
- * Introduction of the VPFO campus-wide Parking Issues Task Force that is being formed
- * Planning for participation of UAPC members at UND Senate meeting of March 13
- * Arranging for a UAPC subcommittee to meet during spring break on Wednesday, March 5, to handle any pressing business before the regular meeting of Wednesday, March 19
- * Scheduling regular meetings in April and May, including a session at UND Aerospace facilities at GFIA.
- * Appeals
- * Matters arising
- * Adjournment

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Memorial Union hosts spring leadership series

Steven Light (political science) will present "Organizational Leadership in Government and Business: The Same, But Different" at 3 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 20, in the River Valley Room, second level, Memorial Union, as part of the Spring Leadership Series. The series is free and open to the University community. Faculty, please announce this to students.

Next week, Glenn Olsen, chair of teaching and learning, will present "Leadership: Find the Strengths of People" as the final session in the spring leadership series.

-- Kaleigh Lindholm, Project Coordinator for Leadership Development, Memorial Union Center for Student Involvement & Leadership, leadership@und.edu, 777-3665

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Salman Rushdie book discussions are part of 125th celebration

The University of North Dakota 125th Anniversary Great Conversations committee will present three book

discussions on Sir Salman Rushdie.

Rebecca Weaver-Hightower, assistant professor of English, and Brian Schill, lecturer in the honors program, will lead the conversations about Rushdie's award winning novels, including "Midnight's Children" and "Satanic Verses." Both are well versed in the writings of Rushdie. Books are available through local bookstores and libraries.

Book discussions will be held:

Focusing on "Midnight's Children":

* Thursday, Feb. 21, 6:30 to 8 p.m., Barnes & Noble Coffee Shop. Parking available on-site.

And a book discussion focusing on "Satanic Verses"

* Tuesday, Feb. 26, 7 to 8:30 p.m., Empire Arts Center Gallery, downtown Grand Forks. Parking available off-street, or ramp on Fifth St. and Kittson.

Sir Rushdie will be in Grand Forks for the UND 125th Anniversary's Great Conversation Series and the 2008 Writer's Conference at 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 25, at the Chester Fritz Auditorium. As the opening speaker for the 2008 Writers Conference, the Great Conversation offers an opportunity for attendees to participate in a dialogue with Sir Salman Rushdie. Following a reading by Sir Rushdie from his works, Professor Rebecca Weaver-Hightower will facilitate the discussion between Rushdie and the audience. The focus of the discussions will come from his novel, "Midnight's Children" (1981) which catapulted him to literary fame. This work won the 1981 Booker Prize and, in 1993, was awarded the Booker of Bookers as the best novel to have received the prize during its first 25 years. It still receives accolades for being Rushdie's best, most flowing and inspiring work.

For more information on the UND 125th, visit 125.und.edu.

For more information on the 2008 Writer's Conference, visit www.undwritersconference.org.

-- Benjamin Klipfel, Marketing Coordinator, UND 125th Anniversary, benjamin.klipfel@und.nodak.edu, 7-0857

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Pharmacology, Physiology and Therapeutics seminar is Feb. 22

Wolff Kirsch, Loma Linda University School of Medicine, will present a seminar titled "Progressive Increase in Brain Microhemorrhages Correlates with Sporadic Late-Onset Dementia Development" at 1 p.m. Friday, Feb. 22, in Room 3933, School of Medicine.

This seminar is sponsored by the Center of Biomedical Research Excellence Pathophysiological Signaling in Neurodegenerative Disorders and the Department of Pharmacology, Physiology and Therapeutics. All are welcome to attend.

-- Deb Kroese, Administrative Officer, Pharmacology, Physiology & Therapeutics, dkroese@medicine.nodak.edu, 777-6221

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Rodney Ewing presents next LEEPS lectures

Rodney Ewing, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, presents the next LEEPS lectures Friday, Feb. 22. At noon Ewing will discuss "Nuclear Energy Issues: Plutonium vs. Carbon," in 100 Leonard Hall. At 3 p.m. he will present "Pyrochlore: The Elegant Response of a Simple Structure to Extreme Conditions," in 109 Leonard Hall.

The Department of Geology and Geological Engineering Leading Edge of Earth and Planetary Science lecture program (LEEPS) brings nationally and internationally known scientists and others to UND to give talks on cutting edge science and engineering. Lectures cover a wide range of topics, including academic science, applied engineering, and environmental issues of current significance.

For more information, contact Dexter Perkins at 777-2991.
-- *Connie Larson, Administrative Secretary, Geology & Geological Engineering,*
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Prairie Thaw series showcases poetry of Thom Caraway

It's time for the English Department's first Prairie Thaw reading of Spring 2008! Thom Caraway, soon-to-be-graduated English doctoral student and published poet, will read from his book, "A Visitor's Guide to North Dakota," at 5 p.m. Friday, Feb. 22, in 300 Merrifield Hall. Copies of his book will be available for sale at the reception which follows on the first floor of Merrifield Hall.

Below is a poem excerpted from Thom's book:

Eastbound on the Empire Builder

You see the backs of buildings,
the yellow-lit loading docks, heavy men
slogging pallets at 1 a.m. Warehouse bars
and industrial parks, brick stacks
shouting steam at low skies.
Fork-lift drivers load trucks
with tomorrow's commerce.
You pass whole cities of ruined cars
and scrap iron, an empire of delivery trucks.
What a strange congress they make.
The culvert under I-90 has been dry for years
and still the trains whistle past.

And I am eastbound,
soon for the twisting wind of North Dakota,
where these men have never been,
but dream of in their dreams
of uninterrupted sky. A world built
of unknown language. When they wake,
they look for the low mountains
surrounding Spokane, know that some
terrible landscape lies beyond.

-- *Jennifer Groucutt, Graduate Teaching Assistant, English, jennifer.groucutt@und.nodak.edu, 701-777-2374*

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Join us for a Day of Wellness

Do you have the best on-campus job? Tell us about it at the kiosk of the Wellness Center Friday, Feb. 22, and you could be our winner. The program team of the Wellness Center will read through the submissions and

award one winner with the best occupational wellness answer during the week of Feb. 25. This activity celebrates the National Recreational Sports and Fitness Day. Check out our web site for more activities on our "Day of Wellness" at www.wellness.und.edu

-- Stefanie Meyer, Coordinator of Fitness Experience, Wellness Center, stefaniemeyer@mail.und.nodak.edu, 777-2943

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Carmina Burana plays in Grand Forks Feb. 23

Four Grand Forks arts organizations are collaborating to produce a rare, fully-staged version of Carl Orff's Carmina Burana, the world's most often performed piece of classical music. Set for 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 23, the spectacle of voice, music, dance and color will feature more than 250 musicians and dancers from the Greater Grand Forks Symphony Orchestra, Grand Forks Master Chorale, University of North Dakota Choirs, and North Dakota Ballet Company.

The cooperative venture is made possible in part by a grant from the Greater Grand Forks Marketing Services Partnership, an initiative supported by the John S. and James L. Knight Foundation.

Carmina Burana premiered in 1937 as a choreographed "theater cantata," but now is usually presented as a concert piece. The Grand Forks production will be one of the few in North America this year that captures the grand spectacle that Orff originally intended, says James Hannon, Greater Grand Forks Symphony Orchestra musical director and conductor. This approach, he said, should make it a destination event for music lovers from a large region.

Along with Handel's Messiah, Carmina Burana is the recording most often owned by people who don't consider themselves classical music fans, Hannon said. The most recent performance in Grand Forks was in 1991, when it sold out at St. Michael's Catholic Church. This year's venue, the 2,300-seat Chester Fritz Auditorium, will provide the space, lighting and technical apparatus for a theatrical version.

Why is this music so popular? In part, Hannon said, because of the frequent use of the spectacular opening chorus, "O Fortuna," in movies, soundtracks and television commercials. The work also has influenced many of today's pop rock musicians, Hannon said, making Orff's masterpiece accessible to a young audience. Student tickets will be available for as little as \$5.

Orff, 1895-1982, based the work on 13th-century poems and songs written by a group of dissident monks known as the goliards. He set 24 of them to his own symphonic music.

Carmina Burana is divided into three parts framed by its famous prologue and epilogue suggesting the indifferent turn of Fortune's wheel. The main sections evoke the optimism of spring time, the pleasures of tavern life, and a celebration of love.

The songs, sung mostly in Latin, vary in length from less than 30 seconds to four minutes. The huge chorus alternates with three soloists in collaboration with the powerful orchestral music, Hannon said, all the while testing the artistic boundaries of the human voice.

The soloists include soprano Anne Christopherson, UND associate professor of music who performs internationally in opera, musical theatre and other genres. Joining her will be tenor C. David Bryan, a professional choral singer from New York, and baritone Peter Halverson of the Fargo-Moorhead Opera Company.

Preparing the collaborating performers are Master Chorale and UND Choral Studies Director Joshua Bronfman

and North Dakota Ballet Company Director and Choreographer Job Christenson.

Tickets are available now at the Chester Fritz Auditorium or from Ticketmaster. Prices: adults, \$20/\$17/\$15/\$10; students (age 12-22), \$15/\$12/\$10/\$5; children under 12 are free but require a ticket.

For more information, contact GGFSO Executive Director Jenny Tarlin at (701) 740-2902.

-- Tammy Mulske, Technology and Marketing Supervisor, Music, tamara.mulske@und.nodak.edu, 777-3271

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Snowball tournament is Feb. 23

The UND Nonprofit Leadership Student Association (NLSA) will host its third annual Snowball winter softball tournament Saturday, Feb. 23, at Apollo Fields in Grand Forks, starting at 10 a.m.

Proceeds from the event are shared between NLSA and its adopted nonprofit agency for 2007-2008, Superboard (Greater Grand Forks Community Theatre, Crimson Creek Collegiate Players, and the North Dakota Ballet Company). These three organizations provide community-based arts and entertainment for Grand Forks.

Teams can register for the event at 332 O’Kelly Hall, or by e-mailing Kayla Leidall at kayla.leidall@und.edu. The tournament will consist of teams of up to 18 players; registration is \$50 dollars per team. Sponsors also are welcome. Sponsorships range from \$100 to \$500, as well as in-kind donations such as food on the day of the event, and/or prizes for the winning team. This year’s Snowball sponsors include Bremer Bank, Club Express, Gerrells, Odin’s Belmont Service, Texas Roadhouse, Trophy House, the UND Rugby team, the UND Wellness Center, and Valley Dairy.

Students in the Nonprofit Leadership Student Association are part of the UND College of Arts and Sciences Nonprofit Leadership Certificate Program. The program is affiliated with American Humanics, a national organization training future nonprofit leaders. NLSA focuses on community service and volunteerism in Grand Forks and the region. Members also are given the opportunity to develop teamwork skills.

The UND Nonprofit Leadership Certificate Program is an 18 credit complement to any major area of study. See (see <http://www.und.edu/dept/nlcp/>; and <http://www.und.edu/dept/registrar/catalogs/catalog/ugdept/depts/nlcp.htm>for more information.

For more information contact Heather Helgeson, program coordinator, UND Nonprofit Leadership Certificate Program, 777-3741, heather.helgeson@und.edu .

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Technology trends forum on web conferencing is Feb. 25

On Monday, Feb. 25, the Center for Instructional and Learning Technologies will host a technology trends forum. Andrew Quinn, assistant professor of social work, and Lori Swinney, Chad Bushy and Elizabeth Becker from CILT/ITSS will present information on web conferencing: integrating video into your course.

This forum will cover:

- *What is video conferencing?
- *What is Wimba Live Classroom?
- *How can it be used in Blackboard?
- *What is Adobe Connect (Breeze)?
- *How are they being used in higher education?

The event will be held from 2:30 to 4 p.m. Monday, Feb. 25, in the River Valley Room, Memorial Union. This forum is open to faculty, staff and students. To register, please call Diane Lundeen at 777-2129 or send an e-mail to dianelundeen@mail.und.edu .

-- Diane Lundeen, Workshop Coordinator, Center for Instructional & Learning Technologies/ITSS, dianelundeen@mail.und.edu, 701-777-2129

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Global Visions Film Series shows "Duck Season"

Global Visions Film Series presents "Duck Season" (Mexico) Tuesday, Feb. 26, 7 p.m. FREE

"One of the beautiful things about the movies is how they can burrow into our beings, turning a public expression into a private ritual...Mr. Eimbcke, who also wrote the fine screenplay, throws a precise frame around a world, which emphasizes the sterility of the characters' lives and makes their gradual deliverance from that sterility all the more meaningful. A story about friendship and the ecstasy of communion (not coincidentally, the story opens on a Sunday morning), "Duck Season" suggests that transcendence arrives when you least expect it — sometimes it comes with a pizza, sometimes it materializes in a kitsch painting and, sometimes, in a pan of chocolate-flavored euphoria. More important, transcendence comes in small moments of kindness, in a hand offered with gentleness, in a kiss delivered without regret. In the end, we are always home alone. But as "Duck Season" reminds us, we don't have to live there forever" (Manohla Dargis - New York Times, March 10, 2006).

The Department of Anthropology's popular Global Visions Film Series brings an exciting array of films to the community of Grand Forks for the fifth consecutive year. The Global Visions Film Series presents two films per month in the Memorial Union Lecture Bowl on the campus of the University of North Dakota. The series is currently the only venue in Grand Forks to view award-winning, nationally recognized independent films from a wide variety of contemporary film makers around the world.

All films will be at 7 p.m. on various Tuesday evenings between now until the end of April at the UND Memorial Union Lecture Bowl. The series, free and open to the public, is partially funded by the Multicultural Awareness Committee. Filmgoers are encouraged to come early to ensure a seat.

Other movies will be:

- March 11 – The Fast Runner (Canadian/Inuit)
- March 18 – The Weeping Meadow (Greece)
- April 8 – The Clay Bird (Bangladesh)
- April 22 – The Wind Will Carry Us (Iran)

This series is funded by the Multicultural Awareness Committee, and the Department of Anthropology and the Anthropology Club.

-- Marcia Mikulak, Assistant Professor, Anthropology, marcia.mikulak@und.nodak.edu, 777-4718

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Wind Ensemble, University Band presents concert Feb. 26

The University Wind Ensemble and University Band, conducted by James Popejoy, will present a concert at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 26, at the Chester Fritz Auditorium. Tickets, available at the door, are \$6 for adults, \$3 for students and senior citizens, or \$12 per family.

This concert will feature a preview performance of the program the Wind Ensemble will present at the 2008 North Dakota Music Educators Association Conference in March. They will open their portion of the program with

"Frolicsome," the first movement of a new symphony by Richard Saucedo. The concert will also feature the premiere of a new work for wind ensemble, a transcription by the composer of Michael Wittgraf's "Landmarks." This work was originally commissioned by the Greater Grand Forks Symphony Orchestra to commemorate the 10th anniversary of the 1997 flood. Dr. Wittgraf serves as an associate professor of music theory and composition at UND. Robert Brooks, associate director of bands will lead the ensemble for Roger Nixon's "Centennial Fanfare-March," and they will close the concert with a performance of Frank Ticheli's exciting "Blue Shades."

The University Band will open the concert with "The Acrobats" by David Reed, followed by Andrew Boysen's "Symphony No. 4." They will also present performances of a new arrangement for band of Aaron Copland's "Hoedown," as well as two movements from a new suite by Ralph Ford titled "Sea to Sky."

For additional information concerning this performance, please contact the band department at 777-2815.
-- Tammy Mulske, Technology and Marketing Supervisor, Music, tamara.mulske@und.nodak.edu, 777-3271

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Are you ready to quit tobacco?

If you are considering quitting tobacco, come to a 20-minute presentation at noon Tuesday, Feb. 26, to help you determine if you are ready to quit and how you will be supported in your effort. The presentation will be in the Alumni Room, Memorial Union. Sessions are open to students, faculty, and staff. Contact the Student Health Promotion Office at 777-2097 for more information.

-- Jodi Ramberg, GSA, Student Health Promotion Office, jodi.ramberg@und.edu, 777-2097

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Webinar: The impact of Bologna Process on higher education

While much has been said and written about the Bologna Process, what can United States campuses expect in the next few years? What are the trends in European institutions' adoption of the Bologna Process? What do these trends mean for:

- * Study abroad
- * Transatlantic student flows
- * Admissions and transcripts
- * Research
- * Demands on U.S. campuses

Hear answers to these questions and ask the experts for advice regarding your own concerns from 11 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 27, in Room 10/12, Swanson Hall.

This 75-minute webinar will provide a starting point for further discussions. By attending this webinar you should be able to:

- * explain the general impact of the Bologna Process on your campus
- * initiate and/or facilitate conversations integrating the results of the Bologna Process into your campus policies.

Secure your space! To register, contact the Office of International Programs at 777-6438 or e-mail tatjyanarichards@mail.und.edu

Presenters:
* Diana Bartelli Carlin, former dean of the graduate school and international programs, University of Kansas, and chair, NAFSA Bologna Task Force

- * Christopher J. Foley, director of admissions, Indiana University-Purdue University, Indianapolis
- * Rolf Hoffmann, executive director of the German-American Fulbright Commission
- Ray Lagasse, Director, International Programs, raymondlagasse@mail.und.edu, 701.777.2938

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Linton community forums mwill discuss health care

Concern for the future of rural health care has prompted the Linton Hospital to join forces with the Center for Rural Health to hold two community forums in Linton Wednesday, Feb. 27. The forums, to be held in the KEM Electric meeting room, are open to anyone with an interest in the health and well-being of rural people and communities across the upper Midwest.

The forums will focus on the future of rural health care and feature keynote presentations by Roger Unger, Linton Hospital administrator, and Brad Gibbens, associate director for community development and policy at the UND Center for Rural Health in Grand Forks.

"Hosting community discussion is a great way to gain fresh insights into health policy perspectives, learn what is happening around the area and develop new contacts with people dealing with issues similar to their own," said Unger. "Citizens can voice their concerns as well as offer ideas for solutions to make rural health care in North Dakota better."

The first forum will be from 2 to 3:30 p.m. and the second from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Attendees will participate in facilitated discussions on items such as health care costs, maintaining access to quality services, and health care workforce availability.

"Our goal in having these community meetings is to offer health care consumers a chance to learn more about rural health at the national and state level," said Gibbens. "Health care is in the national spotlight and is an important subject in the upcoming elections. A community meeting allows people to also share their thoughts on what they see as issues, what they see that is working, and how health care should be reformed."

The community forums are open to the public and will include refreshments.
-- Wendy Opsahl, Communications Coordinator, Center for Rural Health, wopsahl@medicine.nodak.edu, 777-0871

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Rock the Coulee Bonspiel set for Feb. 28

Free fun on campus with PRSSA's first annual Rock the Coulee Bonspiel Thursday, Feb. 28, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. on the English Coulee by Smith Hall. Be a part of the bonspiel or come to watch!

Submit your team name; names of skip, second, third, and lead; a contact person with phone and e-mail address; and preferred first draw time (choose between 9 a.m. and 12 p.m.):

- * Skip - team leader, calls the shots, sweeps behind house only
- * Second - throws third and fourth stones, sweeps for all
- * Third - throws fifth and sixth stones, sweeps for second and lead
- * Lead - throws first, sweeps for all

For questions:
* call (701)269-1348, e-mail, christopher.rudy@und.nodak.edu, or call (218)289-3139, e-mail ben.fladhammer@und.nodak.edu.
* Facebook group: World Men's Curling 2008.

- * UND Chapter PRSSA Advisor: Shelle Michaels.
- * Event cleared with UND Facilities.

We are working with the World's Men's Curling Tournament for campus exposure about "The World" coming to Grand Forks in April. Come join us. <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=c2zLVyWrb68>

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Community theatre youth present "School House Rock, Jr."

Join the Greater Grand Forks theatre's spotlight players as they present "School House Rock, Jr." The Emmy award-winning Saturday morning educational cartoon series is making a comeback in this fun, and energetic musical presented by 50 area youth. The production runs Friday, Feb. 29, through Sunday, March 2, and Friday, March 7, through Sunday, March 9, at the Fire Hall Theatre. Friday and Saturday performances are at 7:30 p.m.; Sunday matinees at 2 p.m.

Tom, a school teacher nervous about his first day of teaching, tries to relax by watching TV. Suddenly, the Schoolhouse Rock bunch appear in his rec room and proceed to show him how to win his students over with imagination and music, through beloved Schoolhouse Rock songs that cover a variety of subjects: math, science, history and grammar.

Like the classic television series, Schoolhouse Rock Live! Junior is a hip, entertaining and educational treat that shows young people that learning can be as fun as you choose to make it.

It features songs such as "I'm Just a Bill," "Conjunction Junction," "A Noun Is a Person, Place, or Thing," "Interjections!," and "Three is a Magic Number."

Bring your family to experience the wonder of the music and take a trip down memory lane. Tickets are \$15 for adults, students/seniors are \$12. Reserve your tickets today by calling the Chester Fritz box office at 777-4090. -- Benjamin Klipfel, Executive Director, Greater Grand Forks Community Theatre, ben@benklipfel.net, 701-746-0857

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University Senate meets March 13; agenda items due

The University Senate will meet at 4:05 p.m. Thursday, March 13, in Room 7, Gamble Hall. Agenda items for this meeting are due in the Office of the Registrar by noon Thursday, Feb. 28. They may be submitted electronically to: lorihofland@mail.und.nodak.edu. It is recommended that some detail be included in the agenda items submitted. -- Suzanne Anderson (University registrar), secretary, University Senate. -- Lori Hofland, Administrative Assistant, Registrars Office, lorihofland@mail.und.nodak.edu, 777-3892

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Children in grades 5-6 invited to participate in Science Day

All students in grades five and six are invited to Science Day Saturday, March 29, at the School of Medicine and Health Sciences.

The free event features active, "hands-on" learning experiences organized by medical students. The event is designed to stimulate children's interest in science. Children will conduct science projects, and learn about human anatomy and various health issues such as the dangers of tobacco use, among other topics.

Two sessions, morning (9 a.m. to noon) and afternoon (1 to 4 p.m.) will be offered.

The event is free and parents may attend, but are not required to, since medical students supervise all events. For more information, visit www.med.und.nodak.edu/publicaffairs/scienceday or call (701) 777-4305.
-- Shelley Pohlman, Admin Secretary, Public Affairs, spohlman@medicine.nodak.edu, 701-777-4305

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Mark your calendar for Dakota Conference in March

The 23rd annual Dakota Conference on Rural and Public Health, an interdisciplinary forum for sharing strategies for building and sustaining healthy rural communities, is set for March 26-28 at the Ramada Plaza in Fargo, N.D.

This year's conference, "Addressing Health Care Changes," will offer participants a chance to hear from some of the most knowledgeable people in the areas of rural and public health. Oral and poster presentations will address health care administration, health promotion and disease prevention, environmental health and occupational health, and diverse populations and health disparities.

"The purpose of an annual statewide health care conference, such as Dakota Conference on Rural and Public Health, is not only to instill newfound skills, knowledge and resources," said Lynette Dickson, project director at the Center for Rural Health at the School of Medicine and Health Sciences, and chair of the Dakota Conference committee, "but also to challenge and motivate people to integrate what they have learned in to their individual program, organization or facility."

This year's keynote speakers and topics include:

- "Public Health Leadership: Transforming Passion and Power into Purpose" by Linda Olson-Keller, a senior research scientist at the University of Minnesota
- "The Future of Rural Health Care" by George Miller, past president of the National Rural Health Association
- "Life in the Blender: Generational Diversity" by Rick Gessler, employment/employee relations manager and Jeff Franck, compensation and benefits manager, both of Altru Health System
- "Advocating for Public Health" by Linda Degutis, president of the American Public Health Association

For more information, visit <http://ruralhealth.und.edu/projects/sorh/dakotaconf.php>

The Dakota Conference is facilitated and sponsored by the Center for Rural Health. Additional sponsors are Altru Health System, North Dakota Public Health Association, College of Nursing, and the Department of Family and Community Medicine.

-- Wendy Opsahl, Communications Coordinator, Center for Rural Health, wopsahl@medicine.nodak.edu, 777-0871

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Theology for Lunch series begins April 2

On behalf of the Campus Ministry Association (Newman Center, Christus Rex, Wittenberg, and United Campus Ministry), we invite you to mark your calendar for the upcoming spring semester Theology for Lunch series scheduled to take place at noon April 2, 9, 16, and 23, at Christus Rex. The spring series is titled "4 Faiths 4 Stories, Part II." The following faiths are scheduled to present:

- April 2 - Roman Catholic (Newman Center)
- April 9 - Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (Christus Rex)
- April 16 - Lutheran Church Missouri Synod (Wittenberg)
- April 23 - Presbyterian (First Presbyterian Church)

Join us for soup and great conversation! Bring a friend along with you!

-- Lisa Burger, Director, Student Success Center, lisaburger@mail.und.nodak.edu, 777-4706

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Industry leaders partner for inaugural International Biomass Conference

BBI International and the Energy & Environmental Research Center (EERC) anticipate nearly 700 attendees at the first International Biomass '08 Conference and Trade Show April 15–17 at the Minneapolis Convention Center in Minneapolis, Minn.

The conference aims to facilitate the advancement of near-term and commercial-scale manufacturing of biomass-based power, fuels, and chemicals. Attendees will learn and share information on biorefining technologies for the production of biopower, bioproducts, biochemicals, biofuels, intermediate products, and coproducts.

"The biomass industry is poised for heavy investment in near-term, commercial-scale biomass projects," said Mike Bryan, CEO, BBI International. "Countries around the world are seeking new sources of power and products from renewable resources.

The International Biomass '08 Conference and Trade Show is being developed through a partnership between BBI International, a global leader in the biofuels industry, and the EERC, one of the world's leading developers of cleaner, more efficient energy and environmental technologies.

"As the technical program advisor for this conference, the EERC is drawing on more than 100 years of combined technical expertise in the area of biomass utilization and renewable energy," said EERC Director Gerald Groenewold. "In partnership with BBI International and our technical committee members, we have compiled a world-class technical program which will offer extremely practical, market-oriented subject matter."

The International Biomass '08 Conference and Trade Show will feature an international panel that will cover opportunities and challenges of biomass utilization around the world; technical workshops on new technologies, government policies, feedstocks, and financing; a sold-out world-class trade show with more than 90 exhibiting companies; and industry tours of the District Energy St. Paul Combined Heat and Power Plant and the Minnesota Renewable Energy Research and Demonstration Center.

Registration is open and includes an all-access pass to the general sessions, technical workshops, and trade show. Registration fees also include all conference materials and meals. Technical tours will be offered Tuesday, April 15. For more information, please visit www.biomassconference.com (<http://www.biomassconference.com/>). -- EERC.

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Museum seeks jewelry donations

Sunday, May 4, from 3 to 5 p.m. marks the North Dakota Museum of Art's third annual Antique to Chic costume jewelry sale. We are seeking donations of costume, as well as old and new and jewelry of all types. Look through your jewelry boxes and ask your friends to donate and attend the fun event. Proceeds from the event will benefit the Museum's children's art programs such as Summer Arts Day Camps, weekend and family art workshops and outreaches. Donations can be brought to the Museum on campus or you can call to arrange them to be picked up.

-- Sue Fink, Director of Education, North Dakota Museum of Art, sfink@ndmoa.com, 777-4195

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North Dakota Arts and Humanities Summit is Oct. 9-10

The North Dakota University System 2008 Arts and Humanities Summit Oct. 9-10 is hosted by Bismarck State College, and includes:

- Live performances
- Visual arts exhibit
- Scholarly papers
- Readings of creative literature
- Workshops from professionals and entrepreneurs
- Receptions
- Guest scholars
- Collage concert with performers in many disciplines

All North Dakota University System faculty and students are invited to participate in this fourth summit. Tribal and private colleges and the public are invited and encouraged to attend the summit.

The students and faculty of the North Dakota University System meet every two years to celebrate the arts and humanities and share their works. The public is invited to participate in what is produced, taught, and studied in our colleges and universities.

The 2008 Arts and Humanities Summit is sponsored by the North Dakota State Board of Higher Education, Bismarck State College, and the Council of College Faculties. For more information, call Lynn Severson at 701-224-5521.

-- Patrick Luber, Professor of Art, Art, patrick_luber@und.nodak.edu, 777-2230

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Book request forms coming soon from Barnes & Noble

It's that time of the year already. The Barnes & Noble Bookstore has delivered book request forms to faculty. If we can answer any questions or help you in any way with your book order request please let us know. We look forward to seeing you. If you want to make a special appointment with us, please contact Tina Monette, textbook manager, or Michelle Abernathey, general manager.

We need your book requests early - used books save students money! Students in your class this term win if you are using the same book. We can buy them from your students and pay them up to 50 percent of their current text.

Students in your class next term win because we not only buy books from our current students, but we can also get an early start on sourcing books nationally to get the most used text inventory possible.

Are you ready to give us your book request? Give us a call or visit us at <http://und.bncollege.com> click on the Faculty Service Tab to submit your order.

Thank you for your continued support.

-- Michelle Abernathey, General Manager, Barnes & Noble at UND,
michelle_aberanthey@mail.und.nodak.edu, 777-2103

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Eating Disorders Awareness Week continues

Dating Disorders Awareness Week is Feb. 25-29. Eating disorders are illnesses, not choices. There is help available. To take a self assessment, go to <http://www.ucc.und.edu> or call the Counseling Center at 777-

2127 to make an appointment to talk to someone. For more information on eating disorders, stop by the informational table located on the first floor of Memorial Union throughout the week.

The theme for Eating Disorders Awareness Week is:

- * Be comfortable in your own genes.
- * Your genes play a role in determining your body size and shape.
- * Embrace your genes.
- * Stop trying to turn your body into something it's not.
- * Wear jeans that fit the TRUE you.

Jeans Drive: Take that first step to embracing your genes. Jeans that don't fit the true you can be dropped off at the Student Health Promotion Office (Memorial Union), Medical School, University Counseling Center, and Wellness Center all week long. All jeans collected in the drive will be donated to Arc. For each pair of jeans donated, be sure to sign up for a prize drawing!

Eating Disorders Awareness Week is sponsored by University Counseling Center, Student Health Services, Wellness Center, Women's Center, and the National Eating Disorder Association.
-- Darcie Sell, Graduate Service Assistant, Student Health Promotions, darcie.sell@und.nodak.edu, 777-2097

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Schedule an SGID in your classroom

Arrangements for SGIDs (small group instructional diagnosis, a process for soliciting student feedback at midterm) can be made now. SGIDs are done by trained faculty who work as facilitators for the process in colleagues' classrooms. A facilitator will collect information from your students, write it up into a report for you, and provide you with high-quality student input regarding their learning at mid-semester, rather than waiting until semester's end when course evaluations are completed. Furthermore, the interactive nature of the process can motivate students to think more carefully and deeply, so SGID feedback is often more thorough, providing you with a clear understanding of student perceptions. SGIDs are intended to be formative (i.e., for your own benefit as a teacher) rather than summative (for a promotion and tenure file). To schedule an SGID, please contact Jana Hollands at jana_hollands@und.nodak.edu or 777-4998.

-- Anne Kelsch, Director, Office of Instructional Development, anne.kelsch@und.nodak.edu, 777-4233

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Testing Services can proctor exams

Testing Services is conveniently located in 200 McCannel Hall. I am able to proctor exams and make up exams for up to six students at a time. Professors and departments, please keep this in mind as it may assist in your work load with exams. I am happy to visit with you regarding this. Please call me at 777-4157, or e-mail testingcenter@mail.und.nodak.edu for more information regarding Testing Services. -- Beverly Hilliard, testing coordinator, Counseling Center.

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Note spring midterm grade information

Midterm grade rosters for spring 2008 will be available for entry of midterm deficiency grades by faculty beginning Thursday, Feb. 21.

Midterm deficiency grades for spring 2008 must be recorded in PeopleSoft by noon Friday, Feb. 29. At that point, the Registrar's Office will run a process to generate letters to all students for whom deficient grades are recorded (grades of D, F, or U). Any deficiency grades entered after that point will not be included in these notifications to students, and contacting those students becomes the responsibility of the course instructor.

Faculty should review every roster for midterm deficiencies, enter and save deficient grades, if any, and then change the roster status to "Ready For Review" and save it when they are finished with each roster. This status change signifies that the roster is "official" for midterm purposes.

The roster status should be changed to "Ready for Review" even when there are no deficiency grades to be recorded the class. After the midterm grade entry deadline, a report is sent to the Council of Deans that tabulates how many courses in each department were reviewed and how many had deficiencies recorded.

If faculty members can log in to PeopleSoft but cannot access a roster they are expecting to be able to update, they should contact Marge in the Registrar's Office at 777-2150. The cause usually has something to do with how instructor data is recorded in the PeopleSoft Schedule of Classes.

The instructions for midterm grading can also be accessed on the web at <http://www.und.edu/dept/registrar/FacultyStaff/FacultyStaff.htm> .
-- Ray Pospisil, Associate Registrar, Office of the Registrar, raypospisil@mail.und.nodak.edu, 7-2711

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Applicants sought for freshman program student assistants

The Student Success Center is seeking applicants for Freshman Getting Started 2008 student assistants. If you know of a current UND student who would excel in this position please forward the following job description to them.

Student assistants are needed for Freshman Getting Started 2008 (freshman advisement and registration for fall semester) May 27-July 11. Full- and part-time positions are available. Applicants must be current undergraduate students enrolled at UND for at least one academic year. Apply online at <http://und.studentemployment.nelnet.net>. Contact the Student Success Center, Memorial Union 201A, 777-2117, for more information. Application deadline is Friday, Feb. 29. Thank you.
-- Lindsay Kuntz, Academic Advisor, Student Success Center, lindsaykuntz@mail.und.nodak.edu, 777-2117

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U2 lists workshops

University within the University lists the following workshops:

- Excel XP: Intermediate
Feb. 25, 27, 28, 9 to 11 a.m.* (six hours total)
Prerequisite: Excel Beginning
Work with templates, filter and sort data, import and export data, work with advanced formulas, analyze and share data. Presenter: Heidi Strande.
- How to Process Payment Documentation
Feb. 27, 9 to 11 a.m., Memorial Union, Badlands Room
Learn the process for purchase orders, blanket purchase orders and vouchers. Presenter: Allison Peyton.
- "BaFa BaFa" Cultural Simulation Exercise
Thursday, Feb. 28, noon to 2 p.m., Swanson Hall, Rooms 10-12 and 16-18
BaFa BaFa is a cultural simulation game that teaches participants a great deal about cultural differences, assumptions, and misunderstandings. The overall purpose of the game is to increase cultural awareness and sensitivity among participants, to improve their ability to work with and relate to members from cultures that differ from their own. Participants are divided into two groups, each adopting a previously unknown culture.

When members from the differing cultures visit each other's group, observations are made and conclusions discussed. This activity increases cultural awareness and sensitivity among participants, and assists employees, students, and professionals from all areas in working with diverse populations. Workshop presenter(s): American Indian student services staff.

*Please attend all sessions in the series

Please reserve your seat by registering with U2 by: pPhone, 777-2128, e-mail U2@mail.und.nodak.edu, or online www.conted.und.edu/U2/. Please include: (1) workshop title/date, (2) name, (3) department, (4) position, (5) stop number, (6) phone number, (7) e-mail, and (8) How you first learned about this workshop. Thank you for registering in advance; it helps us plan for materials and number of seats.
-- Kathy Williams, Coordinator, U2 Program, U2@mail.und.edu, 777-2128

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UND law students provide free tax prep program

University law students will prepare and electronically file income tax returns, free of charge, for individuals who qualify through the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program.

VITA is a free service that provides free e-file for participants filing federal and state tax returns. Assistants are certified by the IRS to complete tax returns for individuals and families who made less than \$40,000 in 2007. The School of Law's Public Interest Law Student Association (PILSA) is sponsoring the effort that will run through April 12.

Law students will prepare tax returns Tuesday, Thursday, and select Saturdays in both Grand Forks and for the first time at Spirit Lake. The session schedule and locations follow.

Grand Forks sessions:

- * Feb. 19-28 and March 11 to April 10, each Tuesday and Thursday, 6 to 8 p.m. at the University Apartment Community Center, 525 Stanford Rd.
- * Saturday, March 22, 29, and April 12, noon to 4 p.m. at the Grand Forks Public Library

Spirit Lake sessions:

- * Saturday, Feb. 23, March 8, April 5 and 12, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- * Saturday, April 5, The Blue Building
- * Saturday, Feb. 23, and March 8, CCCC Student Lounge

Individuals interested in participating must bring:

- * Social Security Card
- * Proof of Identity
- * All W-2, 1098, 1099 Forms
- * Banking information for refund deposits
- * Estimated Tax Payments made
- * Amounts of other income
- * 2006 tax return if available
- * For married couples filing jointly, both people must be present

Limitations do apply, so for complicated tax returns PILSA advises people to consult a paid tax professional. For additional information or questions, contact PILSA via e-mail at vitaund@gmail.com.

PILSA is a student organization at the University of North Dakota School of Law. The organization is committed to using the law to create social change and increasing access to justice for segments of the population that are underrepresented in the community.

-- Rob Carolin, Director of Alumni & Public Relations, Law School, carolin@law.und.edu, 777-2856

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Graduate students form new organization

Graduate students in the Department of Teaching and Learning have formed a new campus organization. The Teaching and Learning Graduate Student Association will facilitate communication among education graduate students, provide opportunities for professional growth, increase the visibility of the department and cooperate with other UND groups to sponsor campus forums and workshops on the latest educational research relating to good teaching and learning practices.

Association members will assist each other in finding solutions to the challenges many graduate students face as they complete their programs of study. Organizers plan to create and install teaching and learning displays in the Education Building and Memorial Union, contribute articles of interest to the T & L Newsletter and The Dakota Student and sponsor informal, social events for teaching and learning graduate students.

Membership is open to all teaching and learning graduate students, T & L faculty and interested UND community members. T & L graduate students or faculty interested in learning more about the new association or who want to become involved in its programs are invited to contact one of the organizers listed below:

Barry Striegel, 777-3153 b.striegel@und.edu
Rachael Waller, 777-6173 rachael.waller@und.edu
-- Barry Striegel, GTA, T&L, b.striegel@und.edu, 741-6985

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Faculty sought for Osher Lifelong Learning Institute

The Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI) and the Division of Continuing Education are seeking faculty to teach various courses for individuals ages 50 and older. These courses are to be academic in nature but fun and informal. Classes may be held on the UND campus or perhaps other venues, depending upon the subject matter. The summer 2008 semester will run two hours per session, twice a week for three weeks, from June 2-20.

OLLI is a membership-based community of mature adults who love learning and enjoy spending time with like-minded individuals. Teach a variety of courses ranging from arts and humanities, literature, computers, and wellness. OLLI is not about grades, tests or credits. OLLI is about exploring new topics, indulging in and sharing personal interests, and making new friends. The University of North Dakota launched OLLI in North Dakota and northwestern Minnesota to extend lifelong learning opportunities to our mature community members.

OLLI is funded in part by the Bernard Osher Foundation, which was founded in 1977 by Bernard Osher, a respected community leader in San Francisco. The philanthropic organization improves the quality of life for mature residents through post-secondary student scholarships, as well as art, cultural, and educational grants. At present, the Foundation is supporting 119 Osher Institutes on university and college campuses in 48 states. UND is the only campus in the state of North Dakota awarded an OLLI grant. Just this past January we learned the grant has been renewed for another year! We went from 76 members in June 2007 to 264 members Jan. 30, 2008.

You will be compensated for your teaching time. If you would like to become involved or are interested in teaching a course, proposals are due March 7. Please contact Connie Hodgson at 777-4840 or

conniehodgson@mail.und.edu.

-- Connie Hodgson, OLLI Program Specialist, Division of Continuing Education,
conniehodgson@mail.und.edu, 777-4840

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Studio One to begin spring telecast schedule

Studio One, the University of North Dakota's award-winning television show, will begin its spring telecast schedule Thursday, Feb. 14. The hour-long program features a variety of news, weather, sports, entertainments, and guest segments. Nearly 40 student interns deal with every facet of producing and telecasting a live television show including reporting, anchoring, photography, graphics, marketing, television production, web design, and more.

Studio One airs before a live studio audience during the fall and spring semesters at UND. To request tickets to be a part of our live studio audience, please contact the UND Television Center at 777-4346 or visit www.studio1.und.edu.

The program airs live on UND Channel 3 Thursdays at 5 p.m. Re-broadcasts can be seen at 7 a.m., noon, 7 p.m. and 11 p.m. daily and on Saturdays at 10 a.m. Prairie Public Television airs Studio One on Saturday at 6 a.m. The program can also be seen by viewers in Fargo, Bismarck/Mandan and Minot, N.D.; Minneapolis, Minn.; Denver, Colo.; and Winnipeg, Manitoba.

-- Meghan Flaagan, Director of Marketing, Television Center, meghan.flaagan@und.edu, 777-3818

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Applications sought for Sjodin scholarship

Applications for the Dru Sjodin Scholarship are being accepted through Friday, Feb. 22. This full academic scholarship provides assistance for room, board and tuition for the 2008-09 school year. Eligible applicants are female students who will be entering their sophomore, junior or senior years at UND. She will be highly motivated and represent strong academic standing. Beyond the above requirements, preference will be given to a student who 1) is a native of North Dakota or Minnesota, 2) demonstrates a financial need, and, 3) is an active member of Gamma Phi Beta sorority.

Applications are available online at www.undalumni.org (<http://www.undalumni.org/>) or at the Strinden Center on campus. For more information or with questions, contact Amanda Hvidsten at amandah@undalumni.net or 777-4903.

On Nov 22, 2003, Dru Sjodin was abducted from Grand Forks. In the ensuing months more than 2,000 friends, students, family, community members, and even strangers from across the nation gathered in Grand Forks to search for Dru. On April 17, 2004, volunteers and law enforcement finally brought Dru home to her family. One week later more than 1.500 people paid their respects as Dru was laid to rest in Minnesota.

As a UND student, Dru's warm and vibrant personality showed itself through her creativity and campus involvement. She pursued a bachelor's degree in visual art all the while active in The Clothesline project and other campus activities that promoted women's safety and violence prevention. Dru was also a member of Gamma Phi Beta sorority.

The Dru Sjodin Scholarship was established through the UND Foundation in loving memory of Dru's vibrant spirit with the intention of turning grief into triumph.

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Dru's dive raises awareness about violence against

students

In memory of Dru Sjodin (University of North Dakota), Mindy Morgenstern (Valley City State University) and Anita Knutson (Minot State University) April 26 will be proclaimed "Dru, Mindy and Anita Day" raising awareness about violence against students in North Dakota.

The objective is to unite people across the state of North Dakota in the cause, increase awareness about violence against students, and to create multiple scholarships to be distributed through the North Dakota Council on Abused Women's Services (NDCAWS), www.ndcaws.org. University students and supporters from across North Dakota/Minnesota are coming together in a unified effort to raise awareness about violence against students.

For more information, join Dru's Dive on Face Book or e-mail DrusDive@msn.com .

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Museum Cafe lists soups, specials

Soups and specials listed for the North Dakota Museum of Art Cafe follow.

Feb. 20-22: soups: Clam Chowder/Tomato Basil

Wednesday: Chicken Margherita

Thursday: Lamb Stir-Fry

Friday: Salmon Caesar Salad

Feb. 25-29: soups: Italian Sauasge/Roasted Garlic Squash

Monday: Coconut Prawns with Curried Vegetables

Tuesday: Jamaican Jerk Chicken

Wednesday: Eggplant Parmesan

Thursday: Lamb Kabobs with Curried Vegetables

Friday: Morrocan Chicken Dinner

The Museum Café is open weekdays 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. with lunch served from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

-- *Brian Lofthus, Assistant to the Director, North Dakota Museum of Art, blofthus@ndmoa.com, 777-4195*

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Dakota Deli Express now open

Craving a made-to-order sandwich or hot soup on the west end of campus? Stop by the new Dakota Deli Express located in Stomping Grounds University Place. Just west of the Chester Fritz Auditorium, Stomping Grounds University Place is open to the public. Use the easy entrance off Stanford Road with short term parking available or use the drive-thru. Your favorite sandwich is made fresh when you order. Also find great specialty coffee drinks, Big Trains, fresh fruit smoothies, Seattle's Best coffee and a wide variety of pastries and snacks.

Stomping Grounds University Place is open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday – Thursday; 7 a.m. to 11 p.m.

Friday; 10 a.m. to 11 p.m., Saturday; and 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., Sunday.

-- *Jeffrey St.Michel, Assistant Director of Retail, Dining Services, jeffreystmichel@mail.und.edu, 777-3823*

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Check out these classes at Burnt Toast Demo Kitchen

The Burnt Toast Demo Kitchen offers the following classes:

Friday, Feb. 22, 6 to 7:30 p.m.

Cost: \$14/couple

Want to impress your significant other with your culinary talents? Or maybe you're just looking for something to

do during these cold months. Come have your next Friday night date with us- cooking in the kitchen! This date night will include creating restaurant quality recipes on a college student’s budget. Participants will get the opportunity to help prepare their own meals, while learning a thing or two about dining etiquette that will be sure to impress your date.

Dairy Thursday, Feb. 28, 6 to 7:30 p.m.
Cost: \$7

Are you allergic to milk? Maybe you know someone who is. How about lactose intolerant? This class will show you easy recipes on how to cook without milk, and also teach you about the importance of calcium, and other ways to consume it, other than dairy products.

Classes are located in the Wellness Center Burnt Toast Demo Kitchen.
Sign up for classes 24 hours in advance at the Wellness Center welcome desk.
-- Leah Wagner , Coordinator of Wellness Programs, Wellness Center, leahwagner@mail.und.edu , 777-0842

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Men's hockey season tickets available

Men's hockey season tickets are available for the 2008-2009 season! Reserve your seat today for only \$100. Visit the Ralph's Box Office today for more details. -- Ralph Engelstad Arena.

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Ray Richards lists winter golf specials

Ray Richards is offering a winter golf special. Buy a punch card for five rounds of golf for \$45 (\$50-\$63 value) or 10 rounds of golf for \$90 (\$100-\$126 value). Added bonus: The buyer will receive a free round of golf for buying the 10-round punch card.

Also this year, you may buy a cart seat for each punch card. Five rounds of golf with a cart seat will cost \$70 (\$85-\$98 value) or 10 rounds of golf with a cart seat for \$140 (\$170-\$196 value). A free round is included with 10-round purchase.

Winter golf special punch cards may be bought by stopping at the Chester Fritz Auditorium Box Office or by calling 777-4090. Box office hours are 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. Payroll deductions are accepted.

-- Tom Swangler, Asst Director, Ray Richards Golf Course, tomswangler@mail.und.edu, 777-4090

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Internal job openings listed

The following position vacancies are available only to regular UND staff employees who have successfully completed their six-month probation period, earn annual and sick leave, receive BC/BS health insurance and TIAA-CREF or ND PERS retirement benefits. Current UND faculty, please contact Human Resources for eligibility.

TO APPLY: Please complete UND Application/Control Card form. Send letter of application and resume, referencing position name and number, to: Human Resources, University of North Dakota, Twamley Hall, Room 313, 264 Centennial Drive Stop 8010, Grand Forks, ND 58202-8010. Applications MUST be received by the deadline date.

EXECUTIVE/PROFESSIONAL/ADMINISTRATIVE/ATHLETIC COACHES:

POSITION: Critical Access Hospital Quality Network Coordinator, Center for Rural Health, #08-233
DEADLINE: (I) 2/25/2008
SALARY: \$50,000+/year

POSITION: Research Scientist/Engineer, Energy & Environmental Research Center, #08-231
DEADLINE: (I) 2/25/2008
SALARY: \$80,000+/year

POSITION: Research Scientist, Energy & Environmental Research Center, #08-230
DEADLINE: (I) 2/25/2008
SALARY: \$40,000+/year

POSITION: Athletic Business Manager, Athletics, #08-229
DEADLINE: (I) 2/22/2008
SALARY: Commensurate with experience

POSITION: Assistant Director Enrollment Services-Graduate Student Recruitment (Re-advertised) #08-224
DEADLINE: (I) 2/25/2008
SALARY: \$40,000+/year

TECHNICAL/PARAPROFESSIONAL: No vacancies.

OFFICE SUPPORT: No vacancies.

CRAFTS/SERVICE/TRADES:

POSITION: Building Services Technician (Custodial, Tuesday-Saturday, 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.), Facilities, #08-234
DEADLINE: (I) 2/26/2008
SALARY: \$17,680+/year

POSITION: Building Services Technician(Custodial, Sunday - Friday, 11 p.m. to 7 a.m.), Facilities, #08-232
DEADLINE: (I) 2/25/2008
SALARY: \$17,680+/year

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IN THE NEWS

Brown-Borg receives Glenn Foundation award

Holly Brown-Borg, a faculty member and researcher at the School of Medicine and Health Sciences, has received an unprecedented award from the Glenn Foundation, based in California, to support her research on aging.

An unsolicited award, this is believed to be the first such gift the UND medical school has received, according to Corey Graves, the school's grants and contracts officer. Usually support for research is attracted through grant

proposals prepared and submitted by faculty-investigators to federal agencies, associations and other organizations.

Brown-Borg, associate professor of pharmacology, physiology and therapeutics, received the Glenn Award for Research in biological mechanisms in aging, totaling \$60,000, to support her laboratory technician, a colony of Ames dwarf mice, supplies and other materials. She has one of only five such Ames mice colonies in the United States.

Her research is focused on identifying mechanisms of stress resistance that are associated with health and longevity. For her studies, she has also received grant funding from the National Institutes of Health and the American Federation for Aging Research.

Internationally recognized in her field, Brown-Borg co-chaired the Gordon Conference on the Biology of Aging last fall in Switzerland. She has written numerous papers and articles for publication in scientific journals and was selected for the rare honor of being named a fellow of the Gerontological Society of America (GSA) in 2006. GSA Fellows represent the highest class of membership and are recognized by their peers for outstanding contributions to the field of gerontology, the branch of science that deals with aging and the special problems of aged persons.

The Glenn Foundation, based in Carpinteria, Calif., supports an array of research but has a strong emphasis on aging, Brown-Borg said. The foundation was founded by Paul Glenn, a noted researcher in the area of aging and "one of the founding fathers of the aging research field."

-- Shelley Pohlman, Admin Secretary, Public Affairs, spohlman@medicine.nodak.edu, 701-777-4305

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Stofferahn to chair Rural Sociological Society anniversary committee

Curtis Stofferahn, professor of sociology, was elected to the Rural Sociological Society Council and co-chair of the RSS 75th Anniversary Committee. He recently published an article in Agriculture and Human Values, "The Community Effects of Industrialized Farming: Social Science Research and Challenges to Corporate Farming Laws" which was based on his expert testimony for the North Dakota Attorney General's office in the case of North Dakota vs. Crosslands.

-- Kathleen Tiemann, Professor and Chair, Sociology, kathleen.tiemann@und.edu, 7-2188

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UND swimming, diving featured on ESPN Classic, ESPNU

In early January, a video crew from Indianapolis was in Grand Forks to do an "NCAA On-Campus" feature on UND's successful men's and women's swimming and diving teams. The feature will air at several times on both ESPN Classic and ESPNU.

Here is the information we have when it will air:

Wed. Feb. 20 on EPSN Classic at 12:30 p.m. Eastern time

Fri. Feb. 22 on ESPNU at 6 a.m., 1:30 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. Eastern time

Tues. Feb. 26 on ESPNU at 11 p.m. Eastern time

ESPNU and ESPN Classic are available on DirecTV and Dish Network and many digital cable sports packages.

Please forward this information to alums, fans, campus staff and anyone who would be interested in viewing this feature.

We have a copy of this on DVD and hope to put it on fightingsioux.com as well. Thank you. -- Dan Benson, media relations director, athletics.

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IN REMEMBRANCE

Remembering Mary Ellen Caldwell

Mary Ellen Caldwell, professor emerita of English, died Feb. 11 in Grand Forks. She was 99.

She was born Aug. 6, 1908, in Arkansas, and earned a master's degree in English literature at the University of Chicago, concentrating on such 19th century American writers as Hawthorne, Whitman, Melville and Twain.

In 1936, she took a job with the Illinois Federal Writers Project. She later taught at the University of Arkansas and the University of Toledo in Ohio.

She and her husband, Robert, came to Grand Forks after World War II. Robert Caldwell, who also taught English at UND, died in 1980. She started teaching English at UND in 1952. She retired in 1979 after serving briefly as department chair, but she continued teaching through correspondence until 2000. Bob Lewis, professor emeritus of English, said the Caldwells came to UND during a time of rapid growth after the war, and they were gracious and welcoming to new faculty and students.

"They made my entry into the department much steadier than it would have been," Lewis said. "They were people I could turn to - not to tell me what to do, but to show the lay of the land. They were sociable people, open and honest, and I much appreciated their friendship."

Sandra Donaldson, Chester Fritz Distinguished Professor of English, arrived at UND in 1977, near the end of Caldwell's tenure.

"She was a wonderful spirit, generous and conscientious," Donaldson said. "I always smile when I think of her, and I will always remember coming into the library and seeing her, even after she retired, working away. She took the life of the mind seriously."

She contributed articles and reviews to scholarly journals and was the author of North Dakota Division of the American Association of University Women, 1930-63, A History and co-author of The North Dakota Division of the American Association of University Women, 1964-84. She was active in civic and scholarly organizations including the Grand Forks Symphony Association (secretary 1960-66), P.E.O., the American Association of University Women (North Dakota state president 1968-70), and the Linguistic Circle of Manitoba and North Dakota (president 1981). In recognition of her service on its bibliography staff from 1973 to 2002, the Society for Study of Midwestern Literature gave her its award for distinguished contributions to the study of Midwestern literature in 2000.

Younger students, those new to the UND campus and a little scared, a little unsure of themselves, often found refuge in Mary Ellen Caldwell's English classes. When they discovered what she could teach them, they came back for more.

"Students liked to take her classes, partly because she was kind of a mother figure," recalled Lewis, former chair of the department. "She was very kind, yet she had high standards. She wanted them to write well and understand the short stories and other literature they were reading."

“She was a grand lady. She only had a master's degree, but she taught a wide variety of courses and was well-respected by everyone in the English Department.”

She was the widow of Robert A. Caldwell and is survived by a daughter and son-in-law, Elizabeth and Sherwin Kaplan of Annandale, Va.

Memorial services will be held at 1 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 21, at St. Paul’s Episcopal Church, 319 S. 5th St. in Grand Forks.

Memorial gifts are preferred to the Robert A. and Mary Ellen Caldwell Scholarship Fund at UND.

Online guest registration is available at www.amundsonfuneralhome.com.

Amundson Funeral Home, Grand Forks is in charge of arrangements.

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